



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2621

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For: VEHICLE PERIPHERY MONITORING APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the May 18, 2007 Office Action, and in consideration of the July 10 personal interview with the Examiner, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representatives by Examiner Wong in the July 10 personal interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

Claims 1-11 are pending in this application. The Office Action, in paragraph 2, rejects claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0057360 to Abe et al. (hereinafter "Abe") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,412,952 to Jung. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites, among other features, a cover member configured to cover the front case member except for the transparent window and to cover a periphery of a mating surface between the front case member and the rear case member. At least this feature of claim 1